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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

On March 12, 2002 an Office Action was issued in the above-entitled case, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response.

This is a petition for a three (3) month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for filing a response up to and including September 12, 2002.

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